

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to congratulate J. Thomas O'Brien for being selected as the winner of the Automobile Dealers Association of Indiana's 2001 Herman R. Goodin Civic Service Award.

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_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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Whereas, the Herman R. Goodin Award was established in 1952 in memory of Mr. Herman Goodin, the first president of the Automobile Dealers Association of Indiana;

Whereas, Mr. Goodin died while serving the United States during World War II, cutting short a life dedicated to many business, civic and patriotic activities;

Whereas, Mr. Goodin's commitments and achievements now provide the model for annually choosing an auto dealer to be recognized for similar accomplishments;

Whereas, J. Thomas O'Brien has been in the new car business since 1945, when at age fourteen, he began driving a parts truck for his father's new car business;

Whereas, from such early and humble beginnings, Mr. O'Brien's involvement in new car sales has grown to include ownership in three new car dealerships in the Indianapolis area;

Whereas, as a new car dealer, Mr. O'Brien has been the recipient of several business awards, including the Daimler Chrysler Five Star Dealer Award, the Chrysler Corporation



Distinguished Dealer Award, and the Time Magazine Quality Dealer Award;

Whereas, Mr. O'Brien has supplemented his successful professional life with numerous charitable and civic activities throughout his community, including Little Sisters of the Poor of Indianapolis, Catholic Archdiocese of Indianapolis, Bishop Chatard High School Fund Drive, St. Luke Catholic Church Building Fund Drive, Society to Prevent Blindness Fund Drive and the Notre Dame Alumni Club of Indianapolis;

Whereas, these activities have been recognized with many awards, including Notre Dame "Man of the Year," the "Faith, Family, Football Award" for State of Indiana Catholic Layman of the Year, the Indianapolis "Irishman of the Year," and the Knight of the Holy Sepulcher Papal Award;

Whereas, all of Mr. O'Brien's achievements have been accomplished against the backdrop of an active family life that includes his wife Joan, their 14 children and their 51 grandchildren; and

Whereas, for all of the above, and more, J. Thomas O'Brien was selected as the Herman R. Goodin Civic Service Award winner: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

- 1 SECTION 1. That on behalf of the People of the State of Indiana,
- 2 the General Assembly of the State of Indiana hereby congratulates J.
- 3 Thomas O'Brien for receiving the Herman R. Goodin Civic Service
- 4 Award.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to



- 1 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Mr. O'Brien and to the current
- 2 President of the Automobile Dealers Association of Indiana.

